SELECTED.

The Weight Came Back, or the John of from my heart. Yours truly, Q. J. That Was Londed at Both Ends Kelly." -His Laker Lest - So Suffed the Halitary.

WHE MLUFF ENDED HIM. "In our far country, you are doubtloss aware," said the far Western man, the man who steals a horse can count on being lynched if caught. One morning last year I was told by the foreman of our rauch that one of our best broncos had been run off in the night, and taking three of the boys with me, I soon picked up the trail, The thief rode straight away for twenty miles and then sat down to rest, and as we came up we found him seated under a tree and contentedly smoking his pipe. He made no effort to escape, but on the contrary put on something of a smile and welcomed us with:

"Borry to have troubled you, gentlemen. I did not intend to ride over five miles, but the biamed broncho run away with me. Of course you've brought a rope along? It's a clear caso, and you needn't lose any time." "You stole the bronco? I saked.

'Of course." "'And you know what follows?" "Certainly. Let me get my collar.

off and kick off these old shoes. That limb up there looks strong enough. Let me throw the rope over, please, There it is, and I'll slip the noose over my head. Now, gentlemen, I think swallowed the dice. Of course this ing actively. A roll in the snow comdo some hicking around, but no more gambling places. Even a Massachuthan I can help."

out and we didn't know which way to fully equipped establishment. But it shape. While we were puzzling over was a winner on the occasion named. him he smiled and bowed and said:

me waiting?" replied.

on the rope."

" Simply because I've lost my nerve and am n. g. In a poker game over at Tulare yesterday I held a royal tush and let a man with a pair bluff me down and rake in an \$80 pot. Gen-

tlemen, proceed." "But we didn't. We caught up the bronco and rode away, leaving the Dealer. rope behind; but after we had gone half a mile we looked back and the fellow was dangling at the end of the rope. He had hung himself."

Mr. Sheldon's Preference. "I see that the Rev. Mr. Sheldon says he'd rather drink a bottle of red ink than a bottle of beer.

"Queer taste, lan't it?" "Never tasted it." "What, beer?"

"No, ink. But say, just imagine Mr. Sheldon inviting a friend to join him in a glass of writing fluid! Wonder how he'd drink it?"

"I suppose he'd drink it with chaser of blotting paper."-Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Other Books Received. "Hirnh's Tabulated Digest of the Divorce Laws of the United States," by Hugo Hirah, Funk & Wagnalls com-

pany, New York, \$1.50. The Wheels of the Machine," by Charles M. Sheldon. Advance Publishing company, Chicago.

"Prairie Breezes," by S. A. Harrison principal of the Burroughs school, Chi-

THE WEIGHT CAME BACK.

From the Chicago Tribune: He was a gay youth with a pleasant turn of wit and he had a friend in New York on whom he decided to play a joke He thought for a long time, but the wittiest idea he could conjure up was to send him a telegram "collect," and get his laugh out of what he knew would be his stingy friend's agony when he came to pay the 50 cents charges for a foolish message. He wrote several messages on telegraph blanks. The one he finally sent read like this:

"George J. Kelly, Broadway, New York: I am in perfect health. J. Lincoin Reynolds." He sent the telegram and enjoyed



HE FOUND A CHUNK OF LEAD. his laugh. Then he forgot all about

One day about a mouth after he had ment the witty telegram the express wagen stopped in front of his house and the messenger brought in a small

wooden box. "There are two dollars charges," said the messenger as he put the box down on the table. Reynolds looked at it and saw that it was marked, "Value \$100: This aide up with care." He wasn't expecting any package, but he could not resist the temptation of seeing what was inside, so he finally animals." patel the money and pried the lid off the bottom he found a large chunk of in any creature."

THE TIME TO LAUGH. scrap lend. The piece must have weighed five or six pounds and to it was fastened, by a dainty pink rib-GOME GOOD JOKES, ORIGINAL AND bon, a small card. On the card was written the following message:

"Dear Reynolds: This is the weight which your thoughtful telegram lift-

MEMORABLE LOCALITIES.



Mother Fly-"Yes, Willie, this is Mount Terrible and here's the spot where your poor dear papa met his death."-Chicago News.

HE BAFFLED THE BAIDERS.

The success of a raid on an arieged gambling house in a Massachusetts town was foiled by the presence of setts throat would scarcely be able to "The fellow's coolness knocked us worry down the paraphernalis of a

The bones clicked against the teeth "'Have you any reason for keeping of the attendant, there was a gulp and a wriggle, and the law's myrmidons "You seem to want to hurry,' I were baffled! The attendant might have added as he tossed the cubes of "I do, gentlemen, I do. Yes. you chance across his tongue that the die bold, dashing lines. He has made is east, but being entirely unfamiliar with classic lore, he merely remarked cessors on the throne of Prussia, and will oblige me very much by pulling is cast, but being entirely unfamiliar "Why do you wish to change cli- with a skillfully disgusted wink that also made skillful humorous sketches he didn't know nothin' about no dice of many of the leading statesmen and

And as the state constable had no warrant which authorized him to raid the attendant's midst, he turned away, leaving the swallower in the throes of

HIS LABOR LOST. Mr. and Mrs. Bixtable resided in an apartment house, but as theirs was the lower flat they exercised a kind of supervision over the little lawn in front. One morning Mrs. Bixtable the building engaged in strapping the wagon road will be built to lead to lawn mower on the handlebar of his some grand caves which hundreds of bicycle.

"Why, Gerald," she said, "how ridiculous! Don't you know-" "It isn't ridiculous at ali!" he re-torted. "I've carried heavier weights the prehistoric animals which roamed than this." "But-

"I know what I am doing, Miranda. Don't bother me." amount of work he succeeded at last in tying and strapping the implement across the front of his bicycle and an opening but 4x10 feet greets the started to trundle the machine out to eye, but the interior is 200 feet long the road.

Then he made a discovery, "Why, Miranda," he exclaimed, "it's too wide to go out through any opening we've got!"

"I know it, Gerald," quietly responded his wife. "That's what I was trying to tell you."-Youth's Com-

nurse, whose beef tea was most acceptable to a patient to whom in any previous illness it had been repellent, that the best should be broiled before the juice is extracted, says the New York Evening Post. A thick, lean, julcy steam from the round is broiled for the specific purpose of receiving over a clear fire perhaps two minutes on each side, after which it is cut up lawyers say that under its charter it on each side, after which it is cut up into small squares, put into a sauce-pan, covered with cold water, and set on the back of the stove where it on the back of the stove where it should steep, not boll, for fully two Remember not to add the salt hours. Remember not to add the salt | Recruiting men for the navy in the until the dish is taken from the fire. interior is made possible by the new and serve it hot, unless, of course, it style of warships, which do not re-

GREENWICH TIME IN SPAIN. Beginning with the present year.

previously used na the Spanish standof clocks 14 minutes and 46 seconds in every way for his experience, nhead.

His Last Chance. "Marse Tom, you mus' sho' run for

governor. else on de top side er de nirth, en dey's so many in de race for governor mebbe you won't get beat dis time!"-Atlanta Constitution.

Bound to Believe. "In spite of the lucky atons you carry in your pocket you lost all your

money and a sign fell on you and broke your arm. Yes, but wasn't it fortunate I had that lucky stone? Think what might have happened to me otherwise!"-Boston Traveler.

Well within the Law. "What are you doing there?" shouted the night watchman to the fellow who had broken into a tobacco store. "Well," replied the burgiar, "I didn't really think there was any law against

ers Statesman. Matter of Dist. Simking-"A scientist says the goat is the most unreliable of all domestic

a fellow taking a little-snuff."-Youk-

Timkins-"No wonder. A diet of the tex. Inside was a mass of excel-slor and waste paper. Far down at enough to destroy the spirit of truth men among us

TAKING BATHS IN FINLAND.

Berner Hothads by Whish the Man Clemes A primitive sort of Turkish both is singed in by some of the Finlanders | cent. yearly are so dismissed. of northern Norway. In winter in this part of the country the thermometer everages torty degrees below zero and water bathing is not practicable. These Finlanders, unlike the Lappa farther north, have an instinct for bodily

eleanliness and manage to preserve it after the following fashion: Paul Du Chaillu, who knows from personal experionce, declares the method fine, Each hamlet has a beth house for common use. It is perhaps fifteen feet long by twelve feet wide. It boasts no windows and only when the door is opened can air or light enter, Bathing day comes once a week-

Saturday. Early in the morning of that day wood is brought and a fire When the atones become hot the fire is put out, the place cleaned, a large vessel of water and some slender birch twigs brought in and the preparations declared complete. As no dressing room is provided, tollets are unmade and made in the various homes. It is scarcely necessary to add that no time is lost in the progress from the home to the bath house. No clothes and a temperature of forty degrees below zero are incentives to

When all the men and boys are in the bath house and the door closed, water is thrown upon the hot stones until the place is filled with steam. Perspiration pours from the sweltering bodies, yet more active exercise is demanded and switches come into play. Each bather lays on his neighbor with a will until "Enough!" is cried. Again water is thrown upon the stones, more steam raised and another switching indulged in. As mmy be imagined, the bodies are now as red as mind of an attendant of the place, who boiled lobsters and the blood circulat-

KAISER IN NEW ROLE.

Wilhelm Tries His Hand at Carlesturing Prussian Nobles.

The Kaiser was much occupied during his recent vacation in drawing caricatures of the leading personages in the history of Frussia, and especially of Brandenburg. He is skillful with the pencil, and works rapidly in ladies of the seventeenth and eightcenth centuries.

The sermons the Kaiser has delivred on board his yacht Hohenzollern in the past six years are to be collected and published in a special volume a fit of laughter that made the dice rattle at every throe.—Cleveland Plain diers and sailors. They are not all of the Kaiser's own composition. They are selected by him as being specially adapted to the audiences he addressed

> COLORADO CAVERNS. Remarkable Cares and Fossils in Fremont

County. front. One morning Mrs. Bixtable It is likely, says a Florence corre-discovered her husband in the rear of spondent of the Denver News, that a people living in this county know noth ing about. For more than a year the Carnegie museum has had men continhere before the flood, at the point where a visiting geological party recenty spent one day. The Suithsonian Institution at Washington has a speci-nien dug by M. P. Welsh in 1874. Since then Welsh has spent most of his time in digging for these feasils. Caves

> and fifty feet high. There are a great many other caves that give the oldest geological data which as yet are virtually unknown. There is also strong evidences of a

subterranean river.

Corporations in England. A curious illustration of the power of corporations is reported from England. From time immemorial it has A GOOD SUGGESTION.

It is the suggestion of a trained quests made for the propagation of secular or freethinking decirines were subject to confiscation by the King, and thousands of pounds have been thus confiscated. Recently, however, it occurred to some person to try a new plan. A company known as the Sec ular Society (limited) was incorporated

Landsmen for the Navy. is to be offered as cold or iced beef quire sailors accustomed to managing tea. The old-time sailor is passing away, both in England and America. Now a young farmer from Kansas or Missouri can enlist in the United States navy, take on the smartness that Spain has adopted Greenwich time in comes from bearing arms, see the the place of Madrid time, which was great world, accustom himself to steam machinery-a useful accomard. Madrid being west of Green-plishment for any man-and return to wich, the change involved the setting the pursuits of peace better equipped

Old Age Pensions in Russia. The St. Petersburg Official Mossenger announces that pensions available for the families of the beneficiary af-ter his death will beneficiary af-granted to all workmen in state em-"Kaze you done run fer ever'thing ploy. For the present the measure is only promulgated as a provisional ukase, but it is to be embodied among the permanent laws of the Russian empire. The newspapers bail the reform as one which all private empiralists employing labor on a large scale will be compelled to adopt.

It was his first voyage and he was leaning over the rail in an attitude of reckless abandonment. "What are you ing?' some one jearingly asked him. "I am rendering to the sea, sir, the things that are the sea's, sir" he gasped, as soon as he could speak.

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